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Our Case No. 659-766 (14706)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Gary L. Shanklin

Serial No. 09/753,134

Filing Date: December 29, 2000

For ANTIMICROBIAL ABSORBENT
ARTICLE AND METHODS OF
MAKING AND USING THE SAME

Examiner Lynda Salvatore

Group Art Unit No. 1771

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed February 23, 2006. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider the rejections in view of the following amendments and remarks, as set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.

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